

SEVERELY CUT WITH A KNIFE

D. H. Bryant in Jail to Await Result of Injuries Inflicted on Eugene Mills.

SOME WILD WEST SCENES

A Carload of Unbroken Western Horses Create Much Diversion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., August 16.—D. H. Bryant, of Falmouth, and Eugene Mills, of this city, became involved in a difficulty here last night, which resulted in Bryant cutting Mills severely with a knife, inflicting a long gash on his arm, which required a number of stitches when treated by a doctor. Bryant was lodged in jail, and the case will be tried in the Corporation Court.

A carload of Western horses were sold yesterday at auction, and brought prices ranging from \$12 for yearlings to \$30 each for the grown animals. None had been broken to halter, and when the purchasers undertook to carry their new possessions home, the horses were so wild, giving the city in that section the aspect of a Western town. The horses had to be lassoed, and required in many cases from six to eight persons to hold them when they were turned in the street. Some got away and others reared and plunged, affording much amusement and excitement to the lookers-on before they were conquered.

Joseph Russell, colored, has instituted suit in the Circuit Court of Spotsylvania county against the city of Fredericksburg for \$500 for alleged damages to his property from overflow of water from the street.

T. H. Twyman, of Spotsylvania county, while on his way to this city yesterday, lost from his pocket a roll of money containing \$1,000, \$100 notes, and \$100 bills. The "Kidd farm," near Rappahannock Academy, Caroline county, containing 661 acres, was sold at public auction at Caroline Court this week to W. N. Collman for \$24,600. The sale will have to be confirmed by the court.

M. P. T. Covey, florist of this city, has been appointed to superintend the ornamentation of the grounds of the Jamestown Exposition with flower beds, shrubbery, grass plots, etc.

John M. Evans and Miss Mollie F. Pratt, who were married in Washington, returned here to-day and will reside in this city.

JOINT PICNIC.

Tobacco Growers and Good Roads Advocates.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHESTNUT, AMHERST CO., VA., August 16.—The Farmers' American Society of Equity and the Good Roads Association met at Pleasant View on the 11th instant and held a joint picnic. A very large and interesting crowd was present, and the best order prevailed.

Judge C. J. Campbell was first introduced by the chairman, and made a very lengthy speech. Dinner was then announced, and a beautiful one was spread, which was enjoyed by all.

Mr. O. L. Evans, Commonwealth's Attorney of the county, was then introduced. After the conclusion of his speech Mr. H. L. Page, of Norfolk, spoke—

and the bond issue to be voted on next Saturday.

ONE MAN DROWNED.

Narrow Escape of a Boatload in a Creek.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WARSAW, VA., August 16.—Christino Newton (colored) drowned this morning in Camp Creek. Mr. Credle and his little son and Mr. Sam Hall narrowly escaped a watery grave, and owe their lives to a captain of a passing vessel. The accident occurred by the capsizing of a small boat in which the party was a lot of hogs were crossing the creek.

WILL BRING RUFFIN.

Sheriff of Prince Edward Goes for Him to North Carolina.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FAIRMILK, VA., August 16.—A telegram received here to-day by Sheriff Dickinson from the sheriff of Hertford county, N. C., states that the requisition papers furnished by Governor Swanson for Jesse Ruffin are regular, and advised him to come to the sheriff's office. Ruffin is wanted here for the murder of John Grubb, the aged merchant at Tugles, Prince Edward county. Sheriff Dickinson left this afternoon for Hertford county, and is expected to return with Ruffin Saturday.

Damage to Wireless Plant.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., August 16.—The government wireless telegraph station at Cape Henry is out of commission, having been damaged by the electrical storm which accompanied the rains of Sunday night and Monday morning. The wireless instrument was buried out, and other damages sustained to the apparatus, which will take several days to repair.

Tax Apportionment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., August 16.—The North Carolina Corporation Commission is issuing to the various counties of the State statements of the apportionment of each in the taxes due by railroads, telegraph companies and other public corporations. The highest amount is to Robeson county, the amount being \$2,529, 67.



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DEAD STRANGER STILL UNKNOWN

Pathetic Letters Giving Descriptions of Missing Loved Ones Received.

YOUTH ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Lightning Strikes in Several Places in Prince George.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., August 16.—Inquiries are coming in relative to the unidentified stranger who was killed by lightning in this city a few days ago.

A distressed wife writes from Patuxent, Md., giving a description of her husband, who left his home there on May 20, and has not been heard from. The description she gives of her husband, however, does not tally with that of the deceased, and she will be so informed. A citizen of Danville writes of the disappearance of his brother on March 13th, since which efforts to hear from him have been in vain.

The description he sends tallies in some respects with the dead man, but not in others. The body of the stranger was embalmed and given a Christian burial, and it will be easy to identify it for some time to come.

Erice Benson, a youth, was painfully wounded yesterday afternoon by the discharge of a rifle, which was believed to be unloaded. The rifle was being cleaned at the store of George Carter, on Bank Street, and was fired while being handled.

The hall entered the boy's hand. Mr. Charles Watson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Elgenbrun and Mr. and Mrs. I. Rehnach, all of this city, all left yesterday for New York via the Old Dominion Line.

State Councillor Thomas B. Ivey, of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, who has been traveling through the State in the interests of the order and delivering addresses, has returned to the city, bringing encouraging reports of the conditions of the order.

A cablegram received to-day by his wife announces the safe arrival at Australia of Mr. W. T. Waymack, of this city. Mr. Waymack is the engineer of the Dunlop Company, who went to Australia to install new machinery in some of the company's factories there.

A telegram received from Columbus, O., this morning announced the death in that city of Mrs. Mollie R. Corsett, which occurred yesterday evening. Mrs. Corsett was sixty-six years of age. Mrs. Mortimer formerly resided in Petersburg, and has relatives and many friends here.

During the heavy storm of Tuesday evening lightning struck in several places in Prince George county. A haystack on the farm of Henry Clarke was set afire and burned, and an out-house on the farm of George Williams, near the Courthouse, was damaged.

The Totty Transfer Company nearly lost a team in the Appomattox River to-day. The team was engaged in hauling lumber across the bridge which connects Swan Island with the mainland, when some of the planks broke under the weight. One of the horses was thrown in the water, but the other was held up by the wagon. Owing to the quick work of the driver both horses were saved.

TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Four Virginia Boys Will Try Their Fortunes There.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
STAUNTON, VA., August 16.—Four Virginia boys, all but one educated at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, taking the electrical course, have resigned excellent positions with the Western Electric Company at Chicago and gone to San Francisco to open an office as electrical engineers.

Two went on first to prospect, and found the conditions so inviting they telegraphed the other two to come on at once. The firm will be known as P. G. Ligon & Company, and the young men composing it are P. G. Ligon, from the Eastern part of the State; Dorian Barclay, son of Rev. T. P. Barclay, Presbyterian minister at Wytheville; D. Tucker Brown, son of J. Thompson Brown, of Bedford; and Richard A. Halslip, of Staunton. These young men are

very enthusiastic and think they are going to have a big part in re-electrifying San Francisco.

POTOMAC BAPTISTS.

Judge Nicol Presides Over Large Assemblage at Waterford.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEESBURG, VA., August 16.—The Potomac Association, an organization of the Baptist churches in the counties of Loudoun, Fairfax, Fauquier, Prince William, Stafford and Alexandria, is in session in Waterford, this county, and will continue for several days. Judge Charles E. Nicol, of Manassas, Va., was re-elected moderator; Rev. F. H. James, of Round Hill, clerk; and Mr. J. W. Kinchloe, of Reston, Va., treasurer. There is a large attendance and the opening address was delivered by Rev. F. W. Fisher, of Alexandria city. Within the bounds of the association there is a membership of 5,000, and property values to the amount of \$130,000, fifty-five churches and fifty-six Sunday schools. The local pastor is Rev. Charles T. Herndon.

DEAD WITH THROAT CUT.

Coroner's Jury Unable to Reach Definite Conclusion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, VA., August 16.—After a long session to-day a coroner's inquest said that James E. Honeycutt, a thirty-six-year-old white man, found dead on the Norfolk & Western Railroad tracks, came to his death as the result of "murderous wounds inflicted by an unknown person."

In his pockets were a gold watch and \$4.75 in cash. By the process of elimination the jury says the motive was not to be entertained. No responsibility was placed. The man's throat had been cut and there were bad bruises.

Men wanted to the rescue of hogs and other property in the inundated section, while beehives, buckets and tubs were carried away by the force of the swollen current.

Monteith being immediately on the divide, the stream flow both north and south, and in each direction fences were washed away, and the meadow grass, now overripe, was covered by a floor of water.

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FRESHET RAINS.

Streams Out of Their Banks and Much Damage Done.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
KEYSVILLE, VA., August 16.—Last night's rain was the heaviest yet. The streams are all out, and much damage done to crops on the bottom lands. Much continued wet weather has caused much mischief.

Miss Fannie Bedell is critically ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. F. Cunningham, on King Street.

Mr. R. J. Gauding, who has been quite sick, is now convalescent. His daughter, Mrs. Chas. Phillips, from Richmond, has been with him.

Dr. Thompson Morton is sick at the Memorial Hospital, Richmond, threatened with fever, but Dr. Ennion G. Williams reports that he is getting on nicely.

Mr. H. W. Farmer, who was operated on for appendicitis at Memorial Hospital, is improving daily.

Miss Thelma Watts, of Richmond, is visiting at "Morton Hall."

Miss Lucie Morton is spending some time at Ocean View, but will return to Richmond Saturday to take her position as soprano in the First Baptist Church.

The people among the late arrivals at the Keyville Tonic Springs: Mr. Dabney Ellington, Mr. R. L. Ellington, Mrs. W. E. Ellington, Mr. J. P. Ashbrook, Mr. Steven Ashbrook, Mrs. A. T. Atwell and family, all of Manchester, and Miss Rosa Johnson and Mrs. J. S. Young and family, of Richmond.

Mr. Orrick Cunningham, of Washington, is visiting his father.

ALL WORK STOPPED.

Constant Rains Interrupt All the Railroad Work in Bedford.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BEDFORD CITY, VA., August 16.—This morning the dense clouds that darkened the daylight all like thickets, just before 8 o'clock, broke into a steady, all-day downpour of rain, saturating the already wet and soggy earth and putting a stop to all out-of-door operations.

Since July 15th there have been almost daily rains coming either during the daytime or night hours. There have not been more than two or three days during that time when there have not been rains. If St. Swinith's prediction of forty days of rain succeeding a rainy fortnight of July be true there are yet nine more days of this kind of weather.

Work on the railroad is very seriously interfered with and this morning's rain suspended all operations. The sites for the new passenger and freight stations have been leveled and are ready for the foundations, except that the earth is so soft and spongy from the excessive moisture that nothing can be done. For more than two weeks workmen have been engaged in tearing down the fine old stone bridge that spans the deep cut dividing the residential and business portions of the town, but the work has progressed slowly because interrupted daily by such heavy rains as to necessitate seeking shelter by man and beast. The oldest inhabitants affirm that they have

HEAVY RAINS DO MUCH DAMAGE

Small Water Courses Turned Into Raging Torrents of Destruction.

FLOOD WYTHEVILLE STREETS

Houses Overturned and Fences Washed Away—Much Damage to Crops.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WYTHEVILLE, VA., August 16.—Wytheville was visited last evening by the heaviest rainstorm known for years. The rain fell in torrents for two and a half hours, washing away and destroying much fencing and many gardens, and completely submerging all the lower streets and taking away and overturning many small buildings.

Mr. A. M. Stone had to swim to his stable, which is located near the branch running through the town, to rescue his horses.

TERRIFIC STORMS IN HIGHLAND COUNTY

A Cripple Swept from a Bridge and His Body Cannot Be Found.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MONTICELLO, VA., August 16.—The prolonged and unprecedented period of rain-storms in Highland culminated last evening in a genuine cloudburst in the neighborhood of Monterey, which, supplemented by tremendous downpours in adjacent communities, caused great damage to property and crops and resulted in the loss of at least one life.

Two clouds met, about 2 P. M., on the mountain west of town, and in less than twenty minutes the little stream which skirts the village, and which is the head of the Potomac, became a raging torrent, overtopping its banks just above town and sending a deluge of water down the side ditches of Main Street. The livery and hotel stables connected with the Commercial were flooded to a depth of eighteen inches, while gardens along the course of the stream were either destroyed or damaged.

Men wanted to the rescue of hogs and other property in the inundated section, while beehives, buckets and tubs were carried away by the force of the swollen current.

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never before experienced such a rainy season.

Except to hay, as yet no serious damage is reported to the crops and vegetables and melons are sufficiently abundant upon the market. Large quantities of tomatoes are being brought in to the cannery recently established at Bedford City.

The health record is excellent, no epidemics of any kind and very little serious illness.

NOT A CLOUDBURST.

Just a Good Soaker With a High Tide Added.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., August 16.—Dispatches sent out from here to-day to the effect that there was a cloudburst over Elizabeth county this morning and that the county resembled Chesapeake Bay, were without foundation. There was no cloudburst. Continual rains during the past two months have made the county roads almost impassable and an unusually heavy downpour just before daylight this morning made conditions worse. A high tide added to the troubles of the people near the beach.

VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

Blacksburg Gives Open Hospitality to Visiting Baptists.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BLACKSBURG, VA., August 16.—The Valley Baptist Association began here Tuesday night. The following officers were elected: Judge W. W. Moffett, Salem, Va., moderator; Rev. Dr. T. J. Shipman, Roanoke, Va., vice-moderator; James A. Turner, Hollins, Va., clerk; A. G. Chewing, Roanoke, Va., historian. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. Thomas, Roanoke, Va.; his subject was "Fruit-bearing." His text, John 15, 8. The address of welcome was made by the Rev. E. B. Jackson, pastor of the Baptist Church here. The response to the address of welcome was made by Rev. George Braxton Taylor, Hollins, Va.

The association views for the first time the new Baptist meeting house of the town. It is a most beautiful edifice, well appointed and with the most up-to-date arrangements. A handsome pipe-organ has recently been put in.

The whole town is throwing open its doors with large Christian hospitality to the delegates of the association. The printed programme of the association provides for the work of the body during at least five days. There will be no afternoon sessions, thus allowing full time for the visitors to see the extensive plant and grounds of the V. P. I.

Those who visit the town for the first time are surprised and delighted to find how large and complete is the college here provided by the State of Virginia for the technical training of her young men.

Several of the delegates who drove through the country from the neighborhood of Hollins tell of the large amount of work already finished, and the great force of hands now at work on the Tidewater Railroad. This new road comes within three miles of this town.

AGAINST RAILWAY.

Norfolk and Washington Has Not Right of Condemnation.

LYNCHBURG, VA., August 16.—About midnight last night Judge Barksdale, of the Campbell county Circuit Court, who is sitting in chambers, after hearing arguments for nearly nine hours, decided that the Norfolk and Washington Railroad does not possess the right of condemnation, thus dismissing the petition to have a commission appointed to condemn the right of way for its belt line around Lynchburg.

The court held that the company formerly condemned under State laws which had been repealed, and to be able to do so now they will have to secure an amendment to its charter from the State Corporation Commission.

The effect of this amendment will be that the company will lose the benefit of all special privileges given it or its predecessors by special legislation. The case will be appealed. Pending this determination some of the work on the new road, which is to cost \$2,000,000, will be stopped. The decision will not stop the construction, although it will retard it.

MRS. MILLIKEN'S FUNERAL.

Popular Lynchburg Young Woman Laid to Rest.

(Special to Southern Bell Telephone.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., August 16.—The funeral of Mrs. Charles F. Milliken, who died Tuesday night in the City of Richmond, took place here this afternoon from the residence of her father, Mr. Max Guggenheimer. The services were conducted by Dr. Calhoun, of the Beth Abrahams Tabernacle, of Richmond, and Dr. John J. Lloyd, rector of Grace Memorial Episcopal Church of this city. The interment took place at the City of Richmond, the most elaborate and the largest ever seen here, and most of the designs came from friends in New York city and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Milliken was the wife of a member of the firm of Milliken Bros., of New York city. No Lynchburg woman was more beloved by the people here in this city than she was.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Piedmont Baptist Association Comes to a Close.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
AMHERST, VA., August 16.—Mr. W. B. F. Leach, member of the State Board of Agriculture from Rockbridge county, conducted a farmers' institute here to-day. The constant downpour of rain prevented a large attendance. Among the addresses made was one by Professor Vandiver, of Blacksburg.

The fourth session of the Piedmont Baptist Association came to an end to-day. The reports from all parts of the field included in the association indicate a most flourishing condition.

Body in the Harbor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., August 16.—A body supposed to be that of one of the West Indian stevedores who jumped overboard from the British steamer Cragearn during a storm Tuesday afternoon, was found in the harbor this afternoon.

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